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The reply filed on June 13, 2006, is not fully responsive to the Office Action mailed January 9, 2006, because of the following omission(s) or Matter(s): Applicants amendments to the claims are not clear. Applicants indicate on p. 2 of the response that claim 55 is now cancelled. The amended claim listing indicates claim 55 is the originally presented claim. Additionally, Applicants cancelled claim 55 in the response dated November 17, 2005. An accurate claim listing with the correct identifiers is required. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSION OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a). Failure to correct the claim listing will be treated as non-bona fide and will result in abandonment of the application.

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